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lan. I. Fushum, Chinese str., 1,504, W. H. Lunt, Canton 31st December, General,-Jan. I. Kinshio Maro, Japanese str., 2,459, Wm: Brady, Seattle via Moji 25th Pac.

Schulz, Shanghai 29th December, General. -SIEMBEEN & Co. Jan. I. YUENSAVG. British str., 1,128, Rolfe. Manila 29th December, General.—Jan-DINE, MATHESON & Co.

Jan. 1, LOONGMOON, German str., 1,245, F.

WIELER & Co. Jan. 1. SALCHADJI, Datch steamer, 1,235, Anema, Singapore 24th December, Oil. MEYER & Co.

Jan. I, Kingsing, British str., 1,223; Young, Shanghai 29th Dec. General - JARDINE MATHESON & Co. Jan. 1, KING ARTHUR, British ship, 1,562, Robertson, Cardiff 3rd August, Coal.

[44 Jan. 1, Loksand, British steamer, 989, Loask, Canton 1st Jan., General.-JARDINE, MA-THESON & Co.

> Jan. 2. AIRLIE, British str., 2,800, C. C. Kock, Kobe 27th Dec., General, -GIBB, LIVING-Jan. 2. IRENE, Chinese str., 826, Grawford,

Lead, Shell, etc.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIER. Jan. 2, GLENFALLOCH, British steamer, 1,434, Peters, Singapore 26th Dec., General.-Jan. 2, PHRA C. C. KLAO, Brilish sfr., 1,012,

CLEARANCES. AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,

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Jan. 2, Kalvone, British str., for Shanghai., Jan. 2, Tamsui Maru, Jap. str., for Swatow. Jan. 2, Loongmoon, German str., for Canton. Jan. 2, Kingsing, British str., for Canton.

Per Loongmoon, from Shanghai, Capt. Wit-Harris and Simpson.

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Jan. 1. LOVAL, Gorman str., 1,313, Lorensen, Hongay 29th December, Coal-SANDER;

Jan. 1. MICHAEL JEBSEN, German str., 710, Hemmet, Haiphong 29th December, Rice. -JEBSEN & Co. Jan. 1, TALENKUN, Amr. schr., 74. Melaunder, Guam 18th Dec., General.—Master.

Wuhu 27th Dec., Rico.—CHINESE. Jan. 2, TSINAN, British str., 1,459, O. Andorsen, Sydney and Melbourne 9th Dec. Coal. Jan. 2. APENRADE, German str., Bendixen, Chefeo 28th Dec., General.—JERSEN & Co.

E. E. McLellau, Bangkok 25th Dec., and Ang Hing 26th, Rice, &c.-CHINESE. Jan. 2, Kwongping, Chinese str., 1,242, Blake, Canton 2nd Jan., General,—Chinese.

DEPARTURES. Dec.[31, PEIVANG, German str., for Haiphong. Dec. 31, TAIPU, German str., for Saigon. Jan. 1, OCEANIEN, French str., for Europe. Jan. 1, AMIGO, German str., for Haiphong. Jan. 1, Heinchi, Chinese str., for Shanghai.

Jan. 1, Clam, British str., for Shanghai.

Jan. 1, Hanoi, French str., for Haiphong.

Jan. 2. IRENE, Chinese str. for Canton. Jan. 2, Heanes, Norw. str., for Conton. PASSENGERS.

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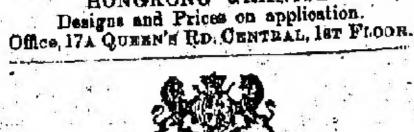
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### The Pailn Press. Hongkong, January 3rd, 1900.

There were four cases of plague last week and three deaths.

The Hon, Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to seanowledge

with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals :- Ha Las-Cho \$15. It is reported amongst the Chinese that

Marshal Su is not after all to take up his headquarters at Tsingkiaugpoo just yet, but that he has been ordered back to look after the Kwangse frontier, where he is in such strong request by his French neighbours .- China

We (Foothow Echo) regret to learn that the Mission House, occupied by the Zenana Ladies at Ku Cheng, was burnt down on the 7th inst Portunately the fire took place in the day-time and the buildings in the same compound, schools, do., were saved. The disaster was caused by faulty construction of the kitchen

Tokyo newspapers state that the French Representative, M. Harmand, immediately on the appearance of the pest in Japan, sent to force. France for a quantity of Yersin's Lymph, which has now arrived and been handed over by His Excellency to the Japanese Authorities. This thoughtful act on the part of the French Minister is evidently highly appreciated by the Japaness.-Japan Mail.

Messrs. Wm: G. Hale & Co., in their circular dated Saigon, 21st December, say :- Rice. -There is not much to say. Supplies of old grain are next to exhausted. New paddy arrives only in small parcels and prices have not yet settled down. There is some demand for the Philippines and more for the Straits and Java We quote for new Rice January/February delivery 1— No. 2 white sifted steam milled (round) \$3.35, No. 2 white unsifted steam milled (round) \$3.30, 10 per cent cargo \$2.78, 20 per cent cargo \$2.72 first cost per picul of 134 ibs greas English, without duty or any other charges. Tonnage. Freights are lively at 37/38 cents Java, 36 cents to the Philippines, and 20 cents to Singapore.

Mesars, S. W. Royse & Co., in their report lated Manchester, 25th November, say :- There has been a continuously strong tone in the pig iron markets at Glasgow and Middlesbrough during this month, and prices have advanced about is 3d per ton at the former place, and 6d per ton at the latter. Domand has been very good, and stocks in public stores show a declin-Requirements are about fully covered for this year, and considerable business is being done for pext. In the manufactured iron trade in the Midlands there is great activity, and there ward and drove the Boer patrols along a ridge P. C. Eurper .... 26 have latterly been some advances in values; until the enemy were reinforced, when the P.C. Clarke name well provided with work for Decision and the P.C. Johnson 19 some months should and plenty of fresh business is coming forward. Copper has latterly had more demand, and with a decline in stocks had three guns on the ridge and that they were I hap. McNab (Cop.) 28 prices have advanced some £2 per ton, and the able to summou reinforcements rapidly. market is firm. Tin has quite collapsed during the last month, and has fallen some £17 per ton. Spelter has fallen about 25s per ton, and is easy. Lead has advanced 15s and is firm.

passed over Kobe and Osaka on Saturday evening, 23rd December, being appparently part of a storm affecting all the West Coast and Central refusal to leave a wounded officer. Japan. About mid-day the harometer como'clock, there was a heavy rainstorm, while about wix o'clock a tropical downpour burst over Kobb, the wind at the same time rising and blowing worthy. with great force, while the lightning was almost incossant. The rain lasted only a short time, killed. but the wind did not subside until about midnight. From our Japanese contemporaries we learn that considerable damage has been dlone, accompanied with much loss of life. The most serious socident is reported from Osake, where three tags belonging to the Osake Slieson Kaisha, with forty lighters in tow, which left Kobe at 2.50 p.m. on Saturday for Osaka, encountered the gale at about 7 o'clock off Dembomurs. The towing ropes broke, and all the boats were set adrift, some foundering. and others being stranded and smashed. Of the

104 men who were on board of these lighters.

25 were rescued by the police boats, and a num-

ber succeded in getting ashore safely, but four

bodies bave been picked up and thirteen men

are missing .- Lobe Chronicle.

### TELEGRAMS:

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

LONDON, lat January.

COMPLETION OF THE TRANS SIBERIAN RAILWAY. The Trans-Baikal Section of the Trans-Siberian Railway has been completed, establishing communication by rail with Vladivoslook. THE OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

An official United States Communique states that assurances have been received from Ebgland, Germany, France, Russia and Japan respecting the maintenance of the open door in China.

SUCCESSFUL MOVEMENT BY GENERAL FRENCH.

As the enemy was withdrawing from Rens. burg to Colesburg General French pressed a night march. At daybroak, while the infentry and field batteries made a feint attack on the Boer front,

enemy's right flank. The Books were surprised and field in disorder. The British occupy Colesburg, the tactical position of which is of the utmost importance. A RECONNOISSANCE AT DORDRECHT.

the cavelry and light artillery rounded the

A recouncitring party had a six hours' light near Dordrecht (east of Stormberg), ultimately assumed the defensive, the Boars obtaining, heavy reinforcements.

> REUTER'S SERVICE. LONDON, 30th December.

THE CAPTURE OF A GERMAN

STEAMER AT DELAGOA. The German steamer Bunderrath, with three Gorman officers and twenty men in khaki uni form on board; has been captured at Delagon

Bay and taken to Durban. The Government is convinced that the ship was not seized without ample justification, and Thomas Shand ... awaits the judgment of the Prize Court.

. The Bundesrath declares there is no contraband, of war on board, and has appealed to the THORNE'S BLEND and WATSON'S Gorman Government, who immediately promised interposition. BOER NEWS FROM MAFEKING.

A Boor despatch states that the British on the 25th instant botly engaged the Boor Fort of Malopo, outside Mafeking, losing 100 men. The Boar loss is stated at 0. SORTIE FROM LADYSMITH

General White has made a sortie from Ladysmith and captured a hill.

London, 3lat December. THE UNITED STATES AND THE

"OPEN DOOR" IN CHINA. It is stated at Washington that the result of Minister Hay's negotiations secures, the principle of an open door in China in a most gratifyjug manner. Great Britain, Germany, France. Russia and Japan responded favourably.

BOERS DISPERSED AT DE AAR. The Volunteers at Deelfontein, 29 miles South of De Aar, dispersed a party of Boers at the railway on Christmas day without any casual-

BOERS THE WRONG SIDE OF TUGELA.

Renter's correspondent at Frere Camp, 29th December, states that several hundred Boers have been out off on the South side of the Tugela owing to the river having risen. A SHELL IN A LADYSMITH MESS

Lient, Dalzel of the Dayons has been killed and other officers wounded by a shell which struck the mess room at Ladysmith. DISAFFECTION IN CAPE COLONY Reports are current of increasing disaffection in Cape Colony, but nothing like concerted nction is taking place, and the authorities are

REINFORCEMENTS. Colonial Volunteers continue eurolling at

many centres. Another New Zealand Contingent will fail on the 15th January and more will follow." THE COMMAND OF THE LONDON

VOLUNTEERS. Fir Charles Howard-Vincent commands the London Imperial Volunteer Infantry battation. THE PRINCE OF WALES HONORARY -COLONEL OF THE YEOMANRY The Prince of Wales has accepted the

Honorary Coloneley of the Imperial Yeomanry THE BOERS' FOREIGN RELATIONS. The Times correspondent at Lorenzo Marques states that suspicions are now confirmed of the close relations of the Boers with a foreign Consulate at Prejoria, and that there are persistent rumours at Lorenzo Marques and Dur-

ban of guns and ammunition for the Boars being smuggled through Delagos Bay. THE RECENT SORTIE FROM MAFEKING. The Boer report of the Sortie from Maleking on 25th December states that Lord Cecil sud

Lord Cavendish-Bentinek were wounded: MILITRY COMMAND IN IRELAND. The Duke of Connaught has been appointed to the Command in Ireland. THE UNITED STATES AND THE

The United States are sending a military attaché to the Boer forces.

VOLUNTERR GAZETTE" SERVICE. LONDON, 31st December.

KIMBERLEY. Reuter's correspondent at Kimberley, ander. date of 22nd December, says that the garrison P. S. Sime 20. made a reconnoissance on that day to the west P. S. Comeron ..... 24 British returned unharmed.

The operation disclosed the fact that the Boers | P. C. Copland

London, 1st January. GALLANT CONDUCT OF SCOUTS. The Times correspondent at Sterkstroom. A sudden storm of extraordinary severity 31st December, says that forty Montmorency's Scouts were cut off yesterday owing to their

They defended themselves eplendidly against menced to fall rapidly, and in Osaka, about four the repeated attacks of 500 Boers until they were rescued by a party under Capt. Golds-

The Boern then retreated with a loss of thirty ENROLMENT OF THE CITY OF

LONDON VOLUNTEERS. The first 500 City Imperial Volunteers have been enrolled at Guildhall with great ceremony and outhusiasm.

THE ROYAL HONOKONG GOLF OLUB.

BEST SCORE POLO FOR DECEMBER. During the month the following cards were returned, the entries numbering twelve only :--Mr. P. de C. Morriss, 1 down, rec. 7 strokes Mr. E. A. Ram Mr. H. L. Deleymple ... 8 ... 8

MINTH ANNUAL ATHLETIC METERS. On Monday the ninth annual athletic meeting took place at Quarry Bay. Though somewhat sharp for the spectators, of whom there was a large number, the weather was most favourable for the competitors. As usual the ground was brightoned by a liberal display of bunting, and the whole meeting was of a most enjoyable character. The competitor who was most to the fore was Phomas Shaud, who won the Championa Cup, which was decided on points. He had 26 points to his oredit. T. McKay, again won the first prize for birowing the hammer, his distance being 70 feet 3 inches, against 68 foot last year. J. H. Hange best all competitors in the high jump; his distance was 4 feet inches against Armstrong's 4 feet 4 inches last year. By the kind permission of Lient. Col. Retallick and officers, the band of the Hongkong Regiment played during the afternoon. The following were the officials --

President - Mr. Herbert Smith. Sports' Committee, Messes. J. A. Ross, Loghand, R. Berwick, Jun., D. Currie, R. Dick. son, T. Grimshaw, M. Macleod, and J. Colls. Judges .- Mossre. John Rodger and John

Time Respers, - Mesers, H. McKenzie and J Clerks of the Course,-Messrs. Macleod and W. Hardwick. Handicappers,-Mesers. J. Dickie, J. Coils and T. Grimshaw. Stewards. - Mesars. W. White, B. Barclay

and C. Lesbirel. Lop Scorer .- Mr. W. Farmer. Starter,-Mr. R. Borwick, Jun. Secretary.-Mr. Robt. Dickson. 100 YARDS FLAT HACK HANDICAP (confined

-First prize presented by the V.R.C., coud by Mr. The Chin. J. H. Hance, 4 yards start. A McKirdy, 9 yards start F. W. White, 12 yards start ....

Two-MILE BIOYOLE HANDICAP (open to non-first prize winners).—First prize pro-sonted by McKirdy and Co., second by Mr. T. Shand. 175 yards start ... J. Livingstone, 175 yards start ... A. E. Alves, soratoh

Time, 4 min. 412 sec. THEOWING THE HAMMER (open to China Sugar Refinery, Dooks, and V.R.C.) - Priso presented by Mr. Ab Wing. Thomas McKey (70 ft, 3 in) .... R. Perrie

FOUR MILE BICKCLE HANDICAP (open to all comers). First prize presented by China Bugar Refinery Staff , second by Mr. J. A. Young ; third by Mr. Ab Kam. T Shand, 550 yards start A. McKirdy, scratch

J. C. Logan, 200 yards start .... Time, 10 min. 241 see. 20 YARDS FLAT HACE HANDICAP (confined). -First prize presented by Vacaum Oil Company; second by Mr. J. Blake. J. H. Hanco, Syards start F. C. Shuster, 16 yards start

C. A. Bowley, 12 yards start Time. 25 560. VETERANS' BICYCLE RACE (open to all comore ovor 40). - Distance one mile ; ten yards start for every year over 40. Prize presented by the London and Lancashire Fire Assurance Company.
J. Harvie

J. Blake ... A. M. R. Pereiru HIGH JUMP (confined) .- Prize prescuted by Dr. Rennie. Previous winners penalised. J. H. Hance (4ft 210) ... F. E. Shuster ...

J. Dickie SIX-A-SIDE FOOTBALL MATCH .- Prize proneated by the Taikoo Recreation Club. Time. quarter of an hour each way. The Marine Engineeers and the Royal Engineers competed. The latter secred two goals during the first ton minutes; nothing else was scored. Royal Engineers ... 2 goals

Marine Engineers .... Two-Mile Bicycle Handicap (open).-Firs prize presented by the Hongkong Cycle Cinb second by Mr. W. Ramsay. T. Shand, 850 yards start J. Livingstone, 350 yards start A. MoKirdy, soratch ... ... Time, 4 mins, 20 sees,

HALF-MILE FLAT RACE HANDICAP (open ) China Sugar Refinery, Docks, and V.R.C.). First prize presented by M.B.K.; second by Royal Exchange Pies Askaraces Och poration. A. Humphreys, 15 yards start ... J. H. Hanco, 20 yards start ...

C, A. Bowley, 30 yards start ... 3 Time, 2 mius, 15 secs. OBSTACIN RACE (confined) .- Prize presented by Mr. Yuen Hop. A. McKirdy ... ... J. H. Hance C. A. Bowley ...

ONE-MILE BICKOLE RACE HANDICAP (COUfined).-Prize presented by Portuguese competitors. T. Shand, 200) yards start T. E. Shuster, 300 yards start

R. A. Farguson, 200 yards start ... 3 Time, 2 min, 15 sec. TURDLE RACE HANDICAP (open ) to Sugar Refinery, Docks, and V R.C.J. presented by Cosmopolitan Dock Staff. A. McKirdy, 14 yards start ...

- George, aorstoh ... WO MILE RICYLE HANDICAP (open to men from 30 to 40 years of age) .- First prize presented by Kowloon Dock Staff; second by Carmichael and Co. T. Shand, 50 yda, start

J. Livingstone, 50 vds. start ... J. Gloyn, scratch .... Time, 5 min. 11 600. SACE RACE (confined).-Prize presented by Mr. Tai Won Loong. D. Currio ... CONSCILATION RACE .- Prizo presented by C.

F. W. White.

SHOOTING COMPETITION.

HONOKONG POLICE V. NAVAL POLICE. At the Association Range on Monday a shooting competition took place between teams representing the Hongkong Police and the Navel Police, The Hongkong Police were rather heavily handicapped inasmuch as whilst they used the old "gas-pipe" carbines their opponents used Lee-Metfords of the latest type. Notwithstanding this, however, the Hongkong Police won by coven points. The day was fairly good for shocking, though a tricky wind blew cown the range. The distances were 200 yards, 400 yards, and 500 vards. The following are MONGHONG POLICE.

P. S. Gauld P. C. Fahorty.... 620 NATAL POLIOR 500 Total Cons. Chrner. Pritchard ... 25 Hammond ... 20 Lamont .... 25 Duncan? M'Gau Hoggard . Hardio ..... 15 McFiren

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The N. P steamer Breconshire has arrived The N. Y. K. steamer Wakasa Mare (Europe Line) left Singapore for this port on Saturday. the 30th December, and is expected to arrive

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Messya, Cutler Palmer & Co. report as The report we have to make touching the result. of the vintages this year is, as usually happens. | the above Fund. somewhatdiversified, awing to the various populi prities of the many and mospected changes of that frequent topic of conversation, the weather; - Further subscriptions will be thankfully re- rouds to the Palaco were lined with troops. these clanges as narrated below, were disastrous crived. to many a grower whose hope and auticipations | Already acknowledged have in many cases been ruthlessly destroyed.

Bordoner - The vintage in this district C. Ewens promises to be the best there las been for some Collection made at Smoking Concert lime, both as regards quality and quantity; the provailing weather during the year having been, smoot favourable, the grapes reached persect Steamer Kutsang maturity at the time of gathering. The wines | Bishop Burdon ... possess a nice bright colour and a very fair Geo. Payne. ... bouquet, and the year's whole produce, slinough H. P. Wadman inferior in quantity to that of the big year, 1893 H. (2,190,170 hide.), is much above the average. We append figures showing the product of Officers R. A. M. C. (additional the Bordonus vintage during the past four 1,491,000 hogsheads.

1.043,000 Barquady .- The year commenced with frost, A. H. C. Barker ... and this was in a measure somewhat disastrous. Stanley Allen The wines in the district of Côte d'Or produced Wm. Paton, Swaton about one third of a normal year, while in the Soul Boon Hung, Swalow ... Beaujolais-Maconnais district the product of the | Seal Eng Yeak crop was but a little under the average. We A. Hyland gament prognosticate as to how the wines will turn out, because, owing to the extraordinary heat since the vintage, the new wine fermented a second lime, but so far the wines show good colon: and firmness.

Champagns -In this part of France savere frosts were also experienced during the spring which destroyed all hope of a prolific yield, but the summer heat improved matters to some extent by the time for guthering came round. It is gratifying to know that the vineyards are singularly free from the various cryptogomic diseases. The wine produced will, we think, be very good, if not excellent, but prices will doubt

quantity and quality as one of the most success ful of recent years. Comac. The wine produced in the Charente is larger in quantity than in 1898, and the distrilation is, we think, likely to result in an excentionally good spirit, but it is somewhat early to

The gathering on the Khine was favoured by generally estimated to be considerably below the normal. The quality, however, is expected to be

pronounce a postive opinion as to this.

Gathering communeed in the early part of September, and, contrary to expectations, the yield turned out to be much larger than was anticipated. There is every prospect of the wine developing exceptionally good quality; there are be becoming. however, districts where the produce will only be suitable for the purposes of distillation: Shipments from Operto for ten months the year totalled 82,715 pipes, but to Great Britain there were some 3,000 pipes less shipped in the current year than in 1898. reason of this falling off is to be attributed to the very large quantities of the 1896 vintage that were shipped to England in the antumn of

The state of things in Jorez gets from bad to worse, for, owing to theravages of the phylloxero. the grop will be shorter than ever. From want now too early to say anything about the pro- of a lively trade period. bable quality. It would be prudent for sherry consumers to take note that prices in Spain for provious good vintages have increased by quite the southern division, including Mindaneo and 40 per cent, to 60 per cent, ever last year's que- the Sulus, is on a visit to Manila. He reporte intions: these observations refer principally to the country gaiot and a thoroughly good prethe products of the north of Spsin.

Spanish Port or Tarragona. The wine in his district is gonorally believed to be of good that prices are now becoming higher. There are various causes contributing to this result.

tionally good, and, notwithstanding the fre- to, Negros, and Ceba are showing a constantly quepey of severe storms in the early summer increasing trade, and Samar and Leyte wil months, the vineyards have flourished well, and, soon be occupied by troops. There are several owing in a measure to the general dryness of other islands of more or less importance that and prongepera have been very scarce. The with these it will only be a matter of time, for quantity of wine produced is very satisfactory, most of them have been, by reason of their particularly in Tuscany and the South, and isolation, but slightly influenced by the course there seems to be little doubt that Italian wines of the insurrection. The large island of Miuwill continue to increase in popularity.

the best realised for some time, both as regards quality and quantity, and musts have shown a good average of richness.

Marsala.-It had been anticipated that the absence of rain last winter and the superabundant heat of last summer would have proved very disastrons when the time for gathering came round, but now that the vintage has been completed the result is more favourable than the growers auti cinated. There are, however, vineyards on light lands that have materially suffered. The goo wine that has been made will, we think, give satisfaction when really to show.

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Total \$74.180 THE BURMO-CHINESH RAILWAY Yangtese A practicable alignment has been at Yokohama, and will sail for Hongkong on found. In parts, but for no very great length, LIFE AND VICOUR FOR THE HAIR. The on some sections it is reasonably doubted virtues for stimulating, and restoring the bair, whether the railway will pay at the outset, is Rowland's Macassar Oil. It removes The surveyors of the Yunnan Company, Cap. sourt, harshness, dryness, prevents the bair tain Davies, of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry, being injured by illness, and should always be and Lieutenant Watt-Jones, R.E. accompanied used for children's hair; no other article im-hy a party, are at the present time, we under parts such a heautiful and dressy appearance to stand, surveying some alternative contes and the hair as RowLand's Madassan Ott. and if checking the gradients of Chenglos-Chungking | you have never used it, you are strongly adseption. This section, which runs through a vised to procure a bottle without delay, and very thickly populated and prosperous region, continue asing it also in a golden colour for will probably prove the best paying part of the fair bair. Sold by Stores and Chemists. whole undertaking

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AFFAIRS IN THE PHILIPPINES CORTS TO BE OPENED IN JANUARY. COMMERCIAL ASPECT IMPROVING.

PROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Manila, 27th December.

Indications point to a general opening of the party whorever troops are quartered throughout Saumur,-In this district the vininge was the archipelage, Recent orders have provided concluded under favourable auspices, and we for outtom houses and internal revenue officers think that the produce of 1899 will rank in for all the principal ports and towns of northern Aizon, and officers have been instructed to be ready to entur upon their duties by January 1st. General Young has been appointed Governer of the provinces of Abra, Ilocos Norte, Hoces Sur. Baugued, and Union, with his hendquarters at Vigan, and the 3rd caralry. and 33rd infantry at his disposal. The ports of the weather, but the quantity of wine made is Vigan, San Fernando, and Lucag will probably be opened and the custom-house established by the 1st of the new year. Vigan is the second. largest city in the island of Luzon, and handles an immonse business. All the principal houses and the great tobacco companies have their representatives here, and the place will shortly

Colonel Hood has been appointed military Governor of Cagayan, Isabella, and Nueva Viscoys, with headquarters at Aparri. He will open to trade the great Cagayan valley, and station, the 16th infantry at Aparri, Tuguegarco, Ilagan, and Bayambong. These provinees embrace the important producing districts of northern Luzon, and the presence of a large: number of troops insures general safety. The country has been fairly productive during the insurgent reign, and as the closing of the ports has to a great extent stopped exportation, the warehouses are well filled with produce ready of rain and the excessive heat of the summer, for shipment. On the whole the merchants the grapes were deficient in juice, so that it is and shippers are rather pleased at the prospect

MINDANAO AND THE SOUTHERN ISLANDS. General Bates, the military Governor of apact in almost all his territory. Many of the coast towns of Mindanao have been quietly garrisoned, and the officers in charge are doing character, and it is a regrettable, circumstance, all they can to encourage trade and friendly relations. Special trade regulations have been established for these unequipped ports, and permission has to be obtained from the military The quality of the grapes this year is excep- Governor or district military commander. Ikidoro is as yet something of a problem, but no The vintage in this Island has proved to be lipine prophets have so often come to grief that one should hesitate to speculate. Speaking in a general way, the outlook in trade circles for the coming year is very pro-

BRITAIN AND SIAM. SETTLEMENT OF A DISPUTE. long standing boundary disputs in the

Mulayan Peninsule between Siam and Britain has just been settled. The trouble arose about the frontier between Perak and Raman or Rebimus, an alleged Siamese tributary State north of Porak. The map shows that Raman is a narrow strip of mountainous country running from west to must. Perak lies to the south Kedah bounds it on the west. Several Siamese petty States lie to the north and east of Rames The Putani River, which flows to the cast coast tions to the Fund for the extension of the rises in Raman. That country was unexplored until Mr. Skeat traversed it in his trip to ascend Gunoug Tahan the other day. The dispute was taken over by the British Gorernment on Perak becoming a Protected State, and has been pending for yours. The settlement, which is said to be satisfactory to Britain, was reached through Mr. Graville, the British Minister at

> PRINCE HENRY AT BANGKOK. Bangkok, 18th December. H. R. H. Prince Heinrich of Prussia, the Admiral in command of the German squadron on the China Station, arrived in Bangkok yesterday on a visit to His Majesty the King, and was received with all the bonour belitting his high rank. It is indeed with sincere pleasure that Siam velcomes the Prince for the ties that bind the two countries are steadily becoming stronger, and there is therefore every reason for gratification at a visit calculated to promote their friendship and a clearer understanding on the part of the European Power of the progress that Siam has made German officials occupy high positions in the Government service, and the commercial in terests of Germany in this country have recently taken a very big stride in advance. Prince Heinrich is returning on behalf of the Emporor the visit that his Majesty of Siam paid and extending produces inflammation, and to Potsdom in 1897, and his coming is very happily timed. We are sure that the whole, by serious consequences too numerous to menin the volcome, and his own countrymen here tion. To theroughly Cure Coens, Buntons. will have an opportunity to express their BOFT CORNS and all diseases of the feet, THE account place Prince Heinrich is a welcome

visitor, for he has everywhere won golden

and is a typical saffor. It was only the other

day that II. E. Sir Henry Plake, the Governor

of Hongkong, said that the Prince has ondeared himself to all Brilish, as well as Gorman, residents in the Par East. His Royal Highwas camo hero in his dagship. the Deutschland, attended by the Gefion, and as we have already mentioned, three of the vessels According to the Daily Mail the concession of the Sinmese Nevy were waiting his arrival Sir Claude Mardonald arrives at Peking enite Swere received on board the Surice The railway, as now proposed, will run from Monthon, and brought up the river. Baron Kunlon Rerry, on the Burmah frontier, to you Saldern, the German Minister-Resident, Chengtoo, the capital of Szechuan, on the Min also went down to meet the Prince at the Bar. River, by way of Sulfin and Changking, on the and came up by the same vessel. The usual construction will be difficult and expensive and only article which really possesses nutritions

telutes were fired at the forte when the Pelnes entered the state barge opposite Equandalays College, and again when he stepped ashore, His Majesty was on the Palaco landing to receive his guest, and gave him a hearty welcome to Bangkok. There was a large attendance col Princes and officials, a guard. of honone was in attendance, and the After Prince Heinrich had been introduced to the Princes present he drave off with His Majesty to the Royal Palace to meet the Queen, and then the King and he drove on to the Saranrom Palace attended by a Cavalry dined with their Majestics. This morning Prince Heinrich visited Was Phra co, and the temple in which are preserved the romains of the late Crown Prince and other royalties. He had tiffin at the Saranrom Palace. This evening he will be again the guest of the King at dinner. There is also to be a dinner at the Foreign Office and a State Concert afterwards

We hear that His Royal Highness is to open one of the new bridges on the Lopburi line, the Firm per Procuration: material of which by the way was made in Gormany. At Mucklek, where he is to take tiffin next Saturday, great prepartions are beingmade for his reception: A temporary sala has been built for the occasion. The Gorman Club and most of the German houses in the town were decorated yesterday, the prattiest and most elaborate display being at Messes Lens and Co's photographic studio

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SHIPPING REPORTS

The British steamer Yuensung, from Manila 29th Dec., had moderate monacon and fine wea-The British steamer Kingsing, from Shanghai 29th Dec., had moderate to fresh monsoon, over-

cast and cloudy weather.

The Gurman steamer Loongmoon, from Shang hai 29th Doo, had fine weather, fresh N.K. and N.W. wind from port to port. The Chinese steamer Irene, from Wuhn 27th Dec. had fresh N. and N.E. winds, dull and overcast weather from Woosung Bnoy. The British steamer Airlie, from Kobe 276. Dec., experienced moderate breeze and sea; fresh N.E. monsoon with light sea on the coast with general dirty weather to arrival.

The British steamer Glenfallech, from Singapore 26th Dec. had light to moderate winds and fair weather. From Jan. 1st had strong gale and high sea with thick rainy weather to port. The British steamer Phra C. C. Klac, from Bangkok 25th Dec., and Ang Hin 26th, had calm and light wind, fine weather from Ang Hin to Pulo Condore. From Pulo Condors to lat |0 N., long. 112 E moderate to fresh monsoon and fine weather; thense to port strong monsoon overcast and hasy weather. The British steamer Tsinan, from Sydney and Melbourne 9th Dec., experienced remarkably fine weather and moderate winds throughout the whole voyage. On the morning of let Jan. strong breeze from N.E. steadily increasing up to 9 p.m., when it blow moderate gale accom-

panied by very high sea and thick weather. VESSELS PASSED ANJER. Dec. 6. Dutch str. Scembing, de Boer, Dec. 6. rom Batavia for Rotterdam; Dec. 12, Dutch bark, Willam Eggerts, Grilk, July 27, from New York for Batavia. Dec. 13. British str. Dake of Devoushire, Makeneace, Nov. 8, from London for Batavia. Dec. 13. Dutch str. Prinses Amalia, Turiboer, Dec. 13, from Batavia for Amsterdam. Dec. 14, British str. Argus, from Australia for Singapore. S. Dec. 15, Norw. bark, Bonafide, Pedersen, Dec. 11, from Batavia for Padang.

Dec. 15, Amr. bark, Obed Baxter, Sweeney from Hiogo for New York. Dec. 15, Amr. bark, St. James, Tapley, Nov. 4. from Hongkong for New York. Dec. 16. German ship, Willy Rickmers, Wickert, Nov 4, from Baugkok for Bremen. Dec. 16. British ship Coloste Burrill, Trefry. Nov. 23 from Cebu for Boston.

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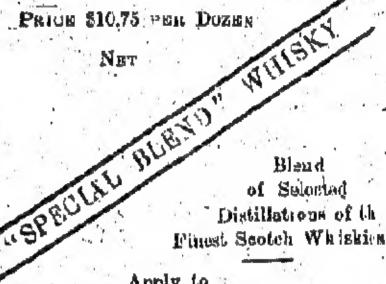
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891,

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES THE Steamship "KARLSRUHE." OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. The above named steamer having arrived Consignees of cargo are boreby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Houghong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remnining undelivered after the 5th January will be subject to rent."

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 4th January and MONDAY, the 8th Jonnary, at 9.30 All claims must reach us before the 11th January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & Co..

Hongkong, 29th December, 1899. STEAMSHIP. "SALAZIE." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London on the 15th instant. their goods with the exception of Opium; Treasure, and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloun Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowleon, whouse delivery may

be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 31st inst, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 6th January, 1900; at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing

All claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 8th inst., or they will not be All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 8th inst, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected,

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hougkong, 31st December, 1899.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG: AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR." having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M. of the 3rd proximo will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited. Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IM-MEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at

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difficulty .- I am, sir, yours truly, J. HILL"

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### VESSELS MEPEOTED.

THE AMBRICAN MATE. The O. & O. steamer Contio, with mails &c from San Francisco on the 13th ultimo, via Honolulu, bas arrived at Yokohama, and will On London,leave for this port this morning via Luland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai. The P. M. Co's chartered steamer Onsang. with mails, &c., left Sun Francisco for this port via Yokobama and Kobo on the oth ultimo. The T. K. K. steamer America Mara, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohamb, Inland Son, Kobe, Naga-

saki and Shanghai on the 21st allimo. THE ENGLISH MAIL The P. & O. stenmer Valetta left Singapore for this port on the lat instant, at noon, with the outward English mail, and is due here on he 7th instant, at about 6 a.m. THE GREMAN MAIL. The N. D. L. steamor Sachsen, carrying

the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 11th ultime, left Colombo on Sunday, the 31st ultimo, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 11th instant. MERCHANT STEAMERS. The H. A. L. steamer Holsatia, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 26th

ultime, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd instant TheN. Y. K. steamer Wakasa Mara (Europe Line) left Singapore for this port on Saturday the 30th ultimo, and is expected to arrive here on the 4th instant. The N. D. L. steamer Prousson left, Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Monday, the

lat instant, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 5th instant. The "Ben" Line steamer Benlorich, from London, left Singapore on the 30th ultimo, and is due here on the 4th instant. . The N. Y. K. steamor Milke Maru, (Bombay Line left Bombay, via ports, for this port on the 29th ultimo, and is expected to arrive here

here on or about the 18th instant. The steamer Birchtor, from New York for China and Japan, sails from Singapore for Manila and Hongkong on the 19th ultimo. The steamer St. Regalus left New York for the Straits, China & Japan on the 11th Nov. The H. A. L. steamer Westphulia loft - Saoz for Hongkong, &c., on the 13th ultime.

The N. P. steamer Energia sailed from Tacema for Japan and Hongkong on the 14th The N. P. steamer City of Dublin left Yokohama for Hougkong on the 22nd ultimo. The N. P. steamer Tacoma sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hougkong on the 23rd

The N. P. steamer Saint Irone sailed from Tacoma for Japan & Hongkong on the 21st ult The N. P. steumer Abargeldie suiled from Portland, &c., for Japan and Hongkong on the 26th ultimo. The P & O. steamer Tientsin left Singapore for this port on the 27th ultime, at 8 a.u. The N. P. steamer Glenogle sailed

The "Glen." Line steamer Glongarry, from London left Singapore on the 31st ultimo, and is due here on the oth instant. The N. P. steamer Breconshire arrived at Yokohama and will sail for Hongkong on the 3rd instant.

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD .- 5th December .- Benvoirlich. 8th Dec. Kegulue, Yawariva, 12th December -Morven, Stentor. 15th Dog - Kherson. 19th Dec .- Canton, Hyson, Langbank. Acolus, Burdon, Cathay. 22nd December Babelsberg, Kanagawa Maru. Sith Doo. Asturia, Bonvenue, St Jerome, Indus, Dart Lootakken, Lynrowan, Olusano. IOMEWARD. -30th Dec .- Glenshiel, Sucvia. Annam, Machaon.

## POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

MONEY Orders by French mails .- In consequence of the departure of the French mails having been altered to noon on Monday instead of on Saturdays, the Money Order 100 Office will not be opened for the sale of Money Orders on those days until Noon.

PEAR DELIVERY closes at Post Office a

11.30 am and 3 v.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m. The Postal Guide for 1899, revised to date will be found in the Chronicle and Directory, P. XXX This is the only authorised complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkoup. A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Manila .- Per Diamante, to-day, the 3rd instant at 4.00 P.M. For Amoy, Shanghai and Kobe.-Per Hakuai Mars, to day, the 3rd instant, at 5,00 For Singapore, Penung and Calentia.-Per Kumsang, to morrow, the 4th instant, at 11.00

Kobe Per Benlomond, to day, the 3rd inst.

Wuchow to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 4.00 For Manila.-Per Sunghiang, on Friday, the 5th instant, at 11.00 A.M. For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Bydney Your lorenges have done wonders in relieving and Melbourne,—Per Airlie, on Saturday, the my terrible cough. Since I had the operation 6th instant, at 10.00 A.M.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES

The United States Mail Packet Nimon

Honolulu, San Francisco, the United States Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:--Registration at 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of ten cents up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time

fixed for departure of the mail. Extra-Postage 10 cents.) MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET. The British Contract Packet Parramatta wil a despatched on SATURDAY, the 6th inst. at noon with Mails for the United Kingdom, Continent of Europe and countries beyond, via Brindisi to the Straits Settlements, Notherlands -India: Burmali, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

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Letters 11.00 A M.

Letters at 11.00 A.M. Lato Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. MAILS BY THE CANADIAN The Canadian Mail Pucket Empress of China, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant, with Mails for Bhanghai, Nagasaki. Kobe, Yokohama the United States, Canada, Sc., which will be closed as follows:-Registration 10.00 A.M.

Late Fee of ten cents extra Postage until time of departure. MEMBE. FACOUNER & Co.'s BEGISTER, 2nd Jan. Barometer 9 A.M. .. 30.11 Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb 52 carometer I P.M. 30 05 Therm. I P.M. (Wet bu b)53 Barometer 4 P.M. 80.02 Phorm 4 P.M. (Wet bull) 54 Thermom. 9 4.M. . . 5 Therio Maximur ..... 56 Malate .... 9 a. Thermon, I P.M ... 66 Therm, Maximas over-Chermon. 4 P.M. .. 16 night ...

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

Brd'to O'li January, 1900. Mian WATER Hongkong Los Times

### COMMERCIAL. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE

Doesday, 2nd January.

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight Bank Bills, at 4 months sight ... 1/11 Credits, at 4 months sight Documentary Bills, traonthe sight 2 .4 PARIS. Credits, at 4 months sight ..... 2.52 ON GERMANY On demand ON NEW YORK. ON BOMBAY. Bank, on domand ON SHANGUAL .--ON YOROHAMA. ON MANILA .-On demand ON SINGAPORE :--On domand ..... HAIPHONG:-On demand -SAIGON :-ON BANGROK:--

On demand JOINT STOCK SHARES,

Sovennions, Bank's Baying Rate. 10.25" GOLD LEAF, 100 tine, per tael ..... 53.25 QUOTATIONS... \$550.50, huyers Hongkong & Shai ... \$125 312 ."/ proni China & Japan, prf. Do. deferred ... £1. £5. 58. Natl. Hank of China B. Slures £8 1529, seller# Founders Shares £8 \$29, Helfors Bell's Asbestos E. A. £1 dominal Campbell, Moore & Co \$10 Bbl. buyers China Prov. L. & M .... \$10 [59], buyers. China Sugar \$100 \$120 Tls. 100 | Cls. 55 International ...... The 100 Els. 65 Laou, Kung Mow ... Tis. 100 Tis. 724 Hongkoog ..... \$100 \$56, tayers Dairy Farm Co. ..... Fenwick & Co., Geo.... \$25 \$40, hayora \$10 \$28, hayera \$50 \$25 Green Island Cement ... H. & Ching Bakery ... Hongkong & C. Gas. ... £10 8127

\$10-\$10, sellers Hongkong Electric \$10 |51, sellers \$100 |5143, ex div. buys H. H. L. Tramways ... Hongkong Hotel ..... \$125, sales Hongkong Ice ..... \$25 \$131, buyers H &K. Wharf & G ... 850 | 188, bayers Tucoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 31st Hongkong Rope ..... 850 \$212, Balen & buyere ? H. & W. Dock \$125 \$530 p. ct. prem. Insurances— Canton.... \$50 \$130 buyers China Fire ..... China Traders' ..... \$25 |457, wellers Hongkong Fire ..... \$50 |\$327}, buyers North-Clima £25 | Fls. 185, sellers Straits ..... \$20 [62], sales & buyers Unions ..... 650 1:235, sellers \$60 \$110, sellers Yangtze ..... Land and Building-\$50 \$118, buyers H. Land Investment. Humphreys Estate... \$10 \$9.15, buyers Kowloon Land & B. \$30 \$28, sellers West Point Building \$50 \$40, buyers Luzon Sugar ...... \$100 | \$47, sellers

Mining-Charbonnages ..... Fee. 259 \$320, buyers Great E. & Cdonian \$5 | 70, cts., buyers Do. Preference ... \$1 50, cts, buyers \$5 \$13 8 Jelebu ..... Queens Mines Ld.... 25c. 35 cts. sellers Oliver's Mines, A. ... \$5 49 Du. B.... \$12 i61 sellers Puniom ..... \$6 57, sellers Do. Preference ... \$1 \$1.30, buyera Raubs ..... 15s. 10d. \$62 New Amoy Dock Steamship Cov.-China and Manila. \$50 \$90, sellers £10 £9.15, boyers China Mutual Pref. £10 £9,10, buyers Do. Mutual O'ary. £5 £4.15, buyers

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> THE WEATHER. CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL. REXHSTER, 290; DECEMBER, P.M.

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45 Gutzlati .... 9 a... 59. 82- NAL 4 . 0 Sharp Peak 11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspon-56 ME 81 b. 30.09 dence may be posted on hourd the Packet with Bwatow .... Canton ..... Hongkong 10a. Aniphong. ... . a. 29.96 | 52. 70 NAW 1 C Manile ..... 10n. Bacolod 19 93 84 - N. 1 c Iloilo ---29.97 81

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Antonor Brit. str. ... Jackson Butterfield & Swire Brit. str. ... Lowell ..... Butter field & Swite Monolines agreement LONDON TIA SURE CANAL On or about 25th inst. Bombay Brit. str. ... Montford, 2.N.R., P. & O. S. N. Co. LONDON Mazagon Brit. str. R. T. Cook, P.N.E. P. & O. S N. Co. Arnhold Kurbarg & Co. On or about 31st inst. Coweio ..... Brit. str. ... Davies L'POOL DIRECT V. SUEZ CANAL . Dardanis ..... Brit str. ... Steeves ..... Butterfield & Swire .... MARSEILLES, &c., v. S'roru, &c. Inaba, Mara ...... Jap. str. ... W. Bainbridge ... MARSEILLES, &c.,v.S'PORE,&c Kumakura Maru. Jap. str. ... Nippon Yuson Kalsha . . Ou 26th just, at Noon. MARSHILLES, HARVE & H'BURG Silesia ...... Ger. str. Behrens ..... Melohers & Co. .... On 10th just, at Noon, BREMAN, YIA PORTS OF CALL ... Proussen ......... Ger str. ... R. Heintze ... ... HAVRE & HAMBURG...... Ambria ....... Ger. str. ... Rurmeister ..... HAVRE & HAMBURG ...... Saraia ....... Gor. str. ... Fuchs HAVRE & HAMBURG ...... Wittenberg ...... Ger. str. ... Madsen Carlowitz & Co ... .... HAVRE & HAMBURG ...... Holsatia ........ Gor, str. ... Bable ..... Arnhold, Kurberg & Co. On or about 17th inst. GENOA & MARSEILLES Trocas .... Brit. str. ... Moses VANCOUVER, v. SHANGHAL, to Empress of China Brit. ste. ... R. Archibald, R.N.R. Canadian Pacific R. Con., On 17th inst. VICTORIA, B.C., v. S'HAI, &c. ... Saint Irono ...... Brit. str. ... W. Attreo ...... Dodwoll & Co. Limited ... On 6th inst. VICTORIA, B.C., v. S'HAI, &c. ... Kinshia Maru ..... Jap. str. .... W. Brady ..... Nippon-Yussa Kusha .... On 15th inst., at 4 P.M. PORTLAND, OREGON, &c. ... Abergeldle ...... Brit. str. ... J. Murray ...... Dodwell & Co. Limited ... On 27th inst. SAN FRANCISCO. v MOM, &c. Algon ...... Amr. str. ... Pacific Mull S S. Co.,..... On 10th Feb., at Noon, SAN FRANCISCO VIA S'HAT, &c Coptio ...... Brit. str. ... Brit. str. ... SAN FRANCISCO v. S'HAI, &c. Nippon Mara ..... Jap. str. ... Toyo Kisen Kaisha ..... To-day, at Noon: SAN DIEGOV. KO 3E, &o ...... Strathgyle ...... Beit atr. .... Butterfield & Swire ..... On 7th inst. ..... Ger. atr. .... Bode ....... Carlowitz & Co. ...... On or about 7th inst. NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL ..... Afridi ..... Brit. str. ... Dolwall & Co, Limitad .... About the middle of Jan. NEW YORK v. SUEZ CANAL Assur ..... Brit. str. ... Showar, Comes & Co. ... To-day. NEW YORK v. SUEZ CANAL .. Indravelli .... Brit. str. ... Cravon ..... Jardine, Matheson & Co. On or about 18th inst. NEW YORK ...... Mary L. Cushing Aur. ship .. Poulleton ........ Carlowitz & Co ...... Quick despatch. Brit. str. ... C. Kook ......... Gibb, Livingston & Co... Oa 6th inst, at Noon, AUSTRALIAN PORTS ........ Taiyunn ....... Brit. str ... Nolson ... Battorfield & Swire ..... On 15th inst. at Noon.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS ..... Yawata Muru ..... Jap. str. ... A. E. Moyes ..... Nippon Yusen Kaisha .... On 26th inst., at 4 P.M. YOKOHAMA VIA N'SAKI & KOBE Rosetta ..... Brit atr. ... C.C. Talbot, R.N.R. P. & O. S. N. Co. ........ On or about 6th inst. YOKOHAMA DIRECT ...... Wakusa Maru ..... Jap. etc. .... J. B. Macmillian Nippon Yuson Kaisha .... On 5th-inst. at 4 P.M. NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokon Ma Merionethshire ... Brit str. ... Divies ......... Showan, Tomas & Co. ... Io-day, at Noon. S'HAT, N'BARI, ROBE & Y'HAMA ... CIRLON ..... Brit. str. ... Lockstone, B.N.B. P & O. S. N. Co. ...... On or about 11th inst. SHANGHAI ..... Valetta ..... Brit. str. ... T. N. Tillard ..... P. & O. S. N. Co ...... On or about 6th just. SHANGUAI ..... Hangehow ...... Brit. str. ... Poarco ...... Butterfield & Swire ..... To-morrow. SWATOW, Amoy & Foodnow ....... Brit. str. ... Roach ...... Douglas Lapraik & Co. ... To-morrow, at Daylight. SWATOW, Amor & Tansur. Maidzuru Maru. Jap. str. ... T. Ozata .... Mitsui Bussau Kaisha ... Qu 7th inct., at Daylight. AMOY, SHANGHAI & KOBE ... Hakuai Maru. ... Jap. str. ... M. Nishimura .... Nippon Yuson Kaisha .... To-parrow, at Daylight. MANILA VIA AMOY ........ Yuanang ....... Brit. str. ... P. H. Rolfe ....... Jardias, Matheson & Co. Foday, at 5 P.M. MANILA ..... Diamento ...... Brit. str. ... R. W. Almond ... Shewan, Tomes & Co. To-day, at 5 P. St. MANILA .... Butterfield & Swige ..... On 15th inst. MANILA ..... Buttsefield & Swire ..... On 5th inst. BAMBARANG & SOURABAYA ... Kansa ...... Beit. str. ... Somsrville ...... Batterliefel & Swire ...... On 17th inst. S'PORE, PENANG & Calcorra... Catherine Apear Brit. str. ... J. G. Olifent ..... Divis Sessoon, South Co. On 9th inst., at Nuon. S'PORE, PENANG & CALGUTTA Kumsaug ..... Brit. str. ... Payne ...... Jardine. Matheson & Co To-morrow, at Noon. ... Brit. str. ... Jackson ..... Butterfield & Swire ..... On 5th inst.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH. VESSELS ON THE BERTH EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM TOYO KISEN KAISHA. TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAULKAS FROM HONGKONG. Nippon Maru (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Wednes, Jau. 3, Kobe, Inland Sea, Xo- 1900, at Noon. kohama, and Honolula) AMERICA MIEU (via) Shanghai. Nagasaki, (SATORDAY, Jan. 27, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yo- (1909, at Noon. hama, and Honolula) Hongrong Maru / (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, (THURSDAY, Feb. 22,

Kobe, Juland Sea, Yo-

kohama, and Honolulu)

THE Steamship "NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAL NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONO-LULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd January, 1900, at Noon taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

1900, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO. LULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en roulc. Through Passage Tickets granted to Eug-

land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlant FOR NEW YORK WIA SUEZ CANAL lines of steamers, and to the principal sities of THE full-powered Steamship the United States or Canada, Lates may be obtained on application. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO

routes from San Francisco, including the Pasongers. SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC. UNION PACIFIC, DENVISE AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the £1 in addition to the regular tariff rate. Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND

EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail

CITIES in the United States have, between steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the Southern Pacific, Central Pacific, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIOGRANDE and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

> Partioulars of the various routes can be had on application, Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missiomeries, members of the Naval Military,

> Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to Edroponu officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their fauilies.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Hayana, Trinidad, and Demorara, and to ports in Mexico, Control and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Purcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accommany Cargo des-

tined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, spely to the Agency of the Company Queen's Building. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 11th December, 1899. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA THE Company's Steamship " KANSU."

Captain Somerville, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th January. For Freight of Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRM, 23rd December, 1899.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA AND MARSEILLES. THE Company's Steamship "TROCAS," Captain Moses, will be despatched as above on

or about the 17th January, 1900. For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO. Hongkour. 28th December, 1899. OR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this THE Stoumship for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 6th "AFRIDI" will be despitched for the above port about the Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and middle of January, 1900, and will be followed by Tea for London (under arrangement) will be S.S. BIRCHTOR" and ST. REGULUS, transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceed-For Freight apply to DODWELL & CO. LD. Hougkong, 21st Docomber, 1899.

> OCEAN STRANSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. / THE Company's Steamship "ANTENOR." Captain Jackson, will be despatched as abov on TUESDAY, the 23rd January,

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & BWIRE. Hongkoug 2th Docember, 1899. "SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR ROTTERDAM AND LONDON.

MIE Company's Steamship.

COWRIE. Captain Davies, will be despatched as above on op about he 3 at January 1900

On 6th inst., at Noon.

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY AND MELEOURNE Calling at PORT DARWIN AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADE-LAIDE, NEW ZEATAND, TASMANIA, &c.) THE Steamship

"ATRLIE." Captain C. Kock, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 6th January, This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ousures the ampply of Fresh Provisions, Los, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light. A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgoon

N.B.-Raturn Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia ares available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and vice versa. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, 9th December, 1899. UNITED STATES AND OHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE: (ROB. M. STOTE IN & CO.,-HAMBURG.)

Captain Bolo, will be despatched for the above port on or about 7th January, 1909. The steamer has superior accommodation for For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLUWITZ & "C."

Agents

STEAMSHIP COMPANY. In Connuction were ten

ATCHESON TOPEKA & BANCA FE RALLROAD CO. PROPOSED SALLINGS PROM

HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU, TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS

TO JAPAN PORTS. HONOLULU. AND SAN FRANCISCO, THE UNITED STATES. MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c. SS. "STRATH JYDB" ..... Ou 7th Jan. 5.023 Tous .....

S.S. " CARLISIM CETT" ... .... On 15th Jan. 3.001 Tous ...... S.S. " Beterax King" ...... Con 20th Jan. 3,379 Tons ....... S.S. "CARMARTHENSHIRE ... ) About 2,029 Tons ..... January

HE Steamship "STRATHGYLE" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO, via KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SUNDAY, the 7th January. Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States: "Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages

will be received at the Office until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full Value of same is required: Consular Invoices, to adoompany Cargo des tined to Points beyond San Diogo, should be

sout to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego. For further information as to Freight o Passage, apply to UTTERFIELD & SWIRE Hongkong, China, and Japan.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1899. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

'DIOMED." Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as about on TUESDAY, the 9th January. For Freight, apply to a BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, 12th December, 1899.

CHINA NAVIGATION CUMPANY, THULLED. FOR MANILA. HE Company's Steamship

Captain Nolson, will be despatched as abo on MONDAY, the 15th January. The attention of Passengers is directed to. the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A duly qualified Surgion is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

"TALYUAN."

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1899. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLANI

PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE, FILE Company's Steamship

on MONDAY, the 15th January, at Noon. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation effered by this Steamer. The First class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provis sions during the entire yoyage.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

TEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, AUEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA: ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG; PORTS IN THE LEVANCE BEACK SEX AND BALTIC PORTS.

AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS. STHAMBUS WILL CALL AT SOUPHAMP FON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAOR. N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ONTHROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW OBLEANS, GALVESTON

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

KONIG ALBERT ... ... ... ... ... HAMBURG... (Hamburg-Amerika Linio) ... ... WEDNESDAY ... ... PRINZ HEINRICH ... ... WEDNESDAY STUTTGART ... ... ... WEDNESDAY ... ... 25th July. KONIG ALBERT ... WEDNESDAY ...

N WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of January, 1900, at Noon, the Steamship "PREUS J. SEN." of the Norongueschen Labra, Captain R. HEINTZE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port. as above, CALLING AT NAPLES

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on Monday, the 8th January, Cargo and Specie, will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on Tuespay, the 9th January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office natil Noon, on Tonspay, the 9th January. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer, has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen oan be washed on board. . NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO.,

AGENTS. Hongkoug, 3rd January, 1900. U.S. MAIL LINE. UNITED STATES & CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINK.

FOR NEW YORK VAN SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship "INDRAVELLI." Captuin Craven, will be despatched as above on or about 18th January, 1900.

For freight apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Hongkoug, 21st December, 1899. OCCUPENDAL AND ORIENTAL

STRAMSHIP COMPANY. TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED

STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND BAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS. VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU. PROLOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. Corrio (via Shanghai, )

Nagasaki, Kobe, In- | SATURDAY, Jan. 20, land Sea, Yokohama ( 1900, at Noon. and Honolulu) ..... GAELIO (via Shanghai, ) Nagaraki, Kobo, In- TUESDAY, Feb. 13, Ind Sea. Yokohama 1900, at Noon, and Honolalul ..... Donte (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In. (SATURDAY, Mar. 10, land Sea, Yokohama 1900, at Noon. and Honolulu)

will be despatched for SAN FRAN-CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL CISCO VIA SHANGHAL, NAGASAKI, HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 20th January, 1900, at Noon.

Steamors of this line pass chrough the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO-TillU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any par at on route.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, Frauce, and Gormany by all ton as Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the primainal cities of the United States or Canada. Rate and partiorders of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missignaries, mornbers of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to Europenn officials in service of China and Japau, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice persa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Jopan to

All FARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Compary's Office putil Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points boyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

.For further information as to Freight or Passage upply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hougkong, 27th December, 1899. FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship

"MARY L. CUSHING!" Pendleton, Master, will be ready to land on the 15th November, and will be despatched on or CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer about 23rd December. For Freight, apply to Carlowitz & CQ.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1899. NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS to the contrary has been given prior to OF LADING for all the principal ports in steamer's arrival SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO- Goods undelivered after the 3rd January CHINA STRAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods unist service honce to CALCUTTA: Sailings from be left in the Godowns, where they will be CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight. For freight and further particulars,

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED General Agents for China and Japan Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. TENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON,

NOTICE. The Undermentioned Vessels will sail from

CHINA DIRECT MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH & LONDON WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

LEAVE. STEAMBRS. S'hai, H'kong, S'pore. Parametta... 4886 Mar. 27 Mar. C1 April

Massilia .... 5026 April 10 April 14 April 20 For Freight or Passage, apply to

PACIFIC MAIL STERMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INCAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. ALGO4 (via Moji, Kobe, ) SATUR IAY, Feb. 10, Yokohama, and Hone-130), at NOON. CHINA (via Shanghai. Nagasaki, Koba, (SATORDAY, Mar. 3, 1900, at Noon. Inland Sea. Yokohama. and Honolulu) CITYOF RIODE JANKIRO (vis Shanghal, Nega- | SATURDAY, Mar. 27, 1900, at Noon. saki, Koba, Inland Soa, (

Y'hame and Honolulu "THE Chartered Stemmor "ALGOA" will be despatchedfor SAN FRANCISCO, VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and HONO... LULU, on SATURDAY, the 10th February, 1899, at Nuon. For Cargo only. .

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-AND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO-LULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at suy point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic ines of steamors, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers helding through ORDERS TO routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC. Union Pactric, Denver and Rio Grande KOBE, INLAND SEA. YOROHAMA, and and NORTHERN PACIFIC RATHWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY OR DAYMON OF 64 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 22nd Docember, 1899.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

"MENELAUS! are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft and/or landed at the Go-73 downs of the Hongkong and Rowloon Wharf and Godown Company. In both cases it will lie at Consignees risk. The Cargo will be THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS and after the 28th instant.
Optional cargo will be lauded unless notice

examined at 11 A.M. on the 9th January. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,.. Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1893. "SHIRE"/LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "MERIONETHSHIRE," Captain Davies, having arrived from the

above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowis, and all Goods remaining andelivered after the 6th January, 1900, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES/& CO.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1899. (Por other Netjegs to Constigues of Int plate)

"TALVUAN." Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above

For Preight or Passago, apply to nurry HELELIN & EWIRE

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vensel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. N. B. Return Tickets insued by this Company to and from Augreatia are available for return by the Stemmers of the Eastkin AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and pice versu:

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th January, 1900. No Fire Insurance has been effected:

capacity was reduced 49 per cent. A piston somewhat smaller than the thee and armed with projecting knives is now regularly used to scrape out the rust, and is pushed through the pipe by pressure of the water atan average rate of 24 miles an hour, a speed of 71 miles being reached in places. The 1898 scraping increased the delivery from 580 to 708 gallons per miante.

A fortune awaits the inventor of protective conting for pipes that will withstand soft waters, points out Mr. W. Ingham to the British Mechanical Engineers. Something has been done in this direction, but the best conting is effective only a short time, so that soft waters cause rusting in a few years,

Engines run by the waste gases of blast furnaces are suggested in Germany as a possibly cheaper source of energy for making calcium carbide than even water power.

#### EXPORT CARGOES.

Per steamer Tantalus, sailed on the 25th December. For Liverpool :- 1,012 bales hemp. 100 bales mats, 6 packages blackwood ware, and 2 cases porcelain ware. For Manchester :- 29 bales waste silk.

Per Gorman steamer Prinz Heinrich, sailed on the 27th December. For Singapore:—8 bags coffee. For Odessa :- 100 boxes cassia. For Trieste .- b baskets soap stone. For Genoa :-- 30 ). bales broken cassia, o packages tea, 3 cases straw hats, and 3 cases Chinaware. For Barcelona :- 20 bales canes and 5 bales leaf tobacco. For Autworp:-12: bales bamboo soraps, 50 bales feathers. 25 bales canes, and 10 bales bamboo tape, For Antwerp and/or. Hamburg :- 113 balus split hambon. For Amsterdam :- 7 cases Chinaware. For Lisbon :- 6 cases Japanese ware. For Bremen: -77 rolls matting and I case cigars. For Hamburg:-481 bales feathers, 55 rolls matting, 15 cases stick. 15 cases bristles, 7 cases sundries, and 1 box silk. For Humburg and/or Copenhagen :-31 bales rattaucore and I roll matting

Per P. & O. steamer Socotra, sailed on the 28th December. For London: -656 rolls matting, 1,316 boxes tea, 3,4 casks preserves, 18 cases private effects, 5 cases naval stores, 8 cases blackwoodware, and 4 packages sundries. For Marseillers : 20 bales broken cassia, and 49 rolls matting. For Manchester -100 bales waste silk.

#### VISITORS AT HOTELS. HONGRONG HOTEL.

Mt.F. Katenkamp

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Mr. LA. Levy

Mr. J.Y. Mayston

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Mr. & MrsU. E. Richard

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Mr. E. J. Mumby

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Chineso Glenfalloch, British str., 1,434, Peters, Jan. 2, Haitan, British steamer, 1,183, Rouch, Dec. 31 Douglas Lapraik & Co Haknai Maru, Jap. str., 1,419, Nishimura, Dec.

31, Nippon Yusen Kaisha Hoihao, French steamer, 509, Gerard, Dec. 30, A. R. Marty Hongkong, French str., 639, Bastian, Dec. 27, A. R. Marty Hue, French steamer, 704, Merlees, Dec. 31, Independent, German str., 857, Holtz, Dec. 29,

Sander, Wieler & Co. Indrapura, British str., 3,152, Horsfall, Jan. 1 Jardine, Matheson & Co Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. str., 668, Bruhn, Dec. 29, Jebson & Co

Kansu, Brilish str., 1,158, Sommerville, Dec. 26, Butterfield & Swire Katsuyama Maru, Jap. str., 1094, Yamada, Dec. 27, Chineso Keongwai, British str., 1,335, Groves, Dec. 27,

Chinese. Kinshin Maru, Jap. str., 2,459, Brady, Jan. 1, Nippon Yusen Kaisha Kumsang, British str., 2,078, Payne, Dec. 22, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Kungping, Chinese str., 1,742, Bymons, Dec. 11. Kutsong, British str., 1.494, Bradley, Dec. 27. Jardine, Matheson & Co

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Dodwell & Co., Limited Loksang, British stenmer, 989, Leask, Jan. I. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Locsok, British str., 1,029, Jackson, Dec. 29,

Butterfield & Swire Loyal, German str., 1,237, Lorenzen, Jan. 1, Sander. Wieler & Co Menmuir, British str., 1,980; George, Dec. 6,

Jardine, Matheson & Co. Merionethabire, Brit. str., 1.950, Davies, Dec. 30, Showan. Tomes & Co Michael Johnen, German str., 710, Hommet,

Jan. 2, Jebsen & Co Nippon Muru, Jap. str. 3,302, Allen, Dec. 25, Toyo Kisen Kuisha Pakshan, British str., 1,235. Jenkins, Dec. 31. Bradley & Co Phra C. C. Klao, British atr., 1,012, McLellan, Jun; 2, Chinese. Sabine Rickmers, Brit. str., 690, Nasbet, Dec.

15, Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Salahadji, Dutch str., 1,235, Anoma, Jan. 1, Meyer & Co. Sandakan, German str., 1,374, Muhle, Dec. 24, Melchers & Co Stratbgyle, Brit. str., 3,284, Cumming, Dec. 15, Dodwell & Co., Limited

Sungking British str., 1,012, Moore, Dec. 31, Butterfield & Swire Taiwan, British steamer, 2,109, Herder, Jan. 1, Butterfield & Swire: Triumph, German steamer, 875, Ricke, Dec. 6,

Jebsen & Co Tsinan, British str., 1,459, Andersen, Jan. 2, Butterfield & Swire Turbo, British steamer, 1,355, Falok, Dec. 28, Arnhold. Karberg & Co Wingsang, British str., 1,517, Solar, Jan. 1,

Wubu, British atommer, 1,250, Benson, Dec. 18, Butterfield & Swire Ynensang, British str., 1,128, Rolfe, Jan. 1, Jardine, Matheson & Co. SAILING VEBBELS.

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Reuce, American ship, 1,328, Whitmore, Oct. 3, Standard Oil Co Simla, British 4-m. bark, 2,087, Huestis, Aug. State of Maine, Amr. ship, 1,500, Colcord, Oct.

9. Standard Oil Co. Trafalgar, British 4-m. bark, 1,616, Wright, Dec. 26, Sander, Wieler & Co. Telenkun, Amr. schr., 74, Melaunder, Jan. 1, Master Vale of Doon, British bark, 669, Peterson, Dec.

11. Order Warntab, British sch., 25, Haynes, Sept. 23, F. W. Hall Wm. H. Conner, Amr. ship, 1,424, Erskine, Oct 14. Standard Oil Co.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON. Alsority, despatch-boat, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Smith Dorrier et Singapore Algerine, sloop, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. E. J. W. Blade, at Hongkong

Aurora, ornier, 12 gans, 8,500 h.p., Captain Bayly, at Manila B articur battlethip, 14 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Hon. S. C. J. Colville, O.B., at Hongkong Bonaventors, orniser, 10 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. R. A. J. Montgomerie (1.13, at Bhanghai

Brisk, oruiser, 6 gans, 5,600 h.p., Capt. R. B. S. Wrey, at Hongkong Centurion, flagship, 14 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. J. R. Jellicoe, at Lubuan

Daphne, sloop, 8 gans, 1,400 h.p., Comdr. C Winnington Ingram, at Hankow Endymion, craiser, 12 gans, 10,000 h.p., Capt. G. A. Callaghan, at Weiliaiwei Esk, gun-boat, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Liout, and

Comdr. C. Chadwick, at Shanghai Fame, torpedo-boat destrover, 6 gnns, 5,700 h.p., Lient, and Comdr. Roger Keyes, at H'kong Firebrand, gun-bont, 4 guns, 860 h.p., in\* reserve, at Hongkong

Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 6 guns, 4,000. h.p., in reserve, at Hongkong Hart, torpedo-boat destrover, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., in reserve, at Hongkong Hermione, oruiser, 10 gnns, 7,000 h.p., Captain R. S. D. Cumming, at Singapore

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W. Smythe, at Wuchow Orlando, craiser, 12 grans, 8,500 h.p., Capt. J. H. T. Burke, at Hongkong Peacook, gunboat, 6 guns, 720 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. J. J. Armstrong, at Manila Phoenix, sloop, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Capt. R. P. Cochran, at Hongkong Pigmy, gunboat, 6 guns, 720 h.p., Liout. Comdr.

C. J. F. Green at Weibaiwel Plover, gunbeat, 8 guns, 720 h.p., Lieut, Comdr. C. V. de M. Comper, at Manila Rattler, gunboat, 6 guns, 600 h.p., Lient. Hou. G. A. Hardingo, at Singapore Redpole, gunboat, 6 guns, 720 h.p., Lieut, Comdr

F. F. Haworth-Booth, at Chinking Sandpiper, river gunboat, 2 guns, Lieut and Comdr. Carr, on Hongkong Suipe, river gunboat, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Oldham, Yangtsze Swift, gan-vessel, 2 guns, 870 h.p., in reserve,

at Hongkong Tamar, receiving ship, Commodore Francis Powell, C.B., at Hongkong Tweed, gunboat, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Liout.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman, at West River Undaunted, armoured cruiser 12 gans, 5,500h.p.,

Capt. A. C. Clarke, at Hougkong Victorious, battleship, 16 guns, 10,000 i.h.p., Captain A. Schomberg, at Weiliniwei Waterwitch, surveying ship, 450 i.h.p., Lieut;-Comdr. W. Pudsey Dawson, at Hongkong Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 6 guns. 5,900 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. Kelly, at H'kong Woodcock, gunboat, 2 gnus, 560 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. Watson, at Shanghai Woodlark, gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p. Lient. R.

A. Norton, at Shanghai Wivern, coast defence ship, armoured, 4 guns, 1,000 h.p., at Hongkong

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION. Adm ral Kerniloff. Russian protected cruiser. 36 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Jakovleff, at Nagasaki

Alcont, Russian gunboat, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Elkisky, at Vladivostock. Aspic, French gunboat, 6 guns, 453 h.p., Capt. Journet, at Bangkok Baltimore, American protected cruiser, 10 gnus,

10,064 h.p., Capt. J. M. Forsyth, at Manile Bennington, Amr. gunboat, 6 guns, 3,436 h.p., Comdr. C. H. Arnold at Manila Bobre, Russian gun-vessel, 13 guns, 1,150 Lp., Capt. Dobrovolsky, at Port Arthur

Callao, American gunboat, 1 gun, 55 h.p., Lieut. B. Tappan, at Manila Carlo Alberto, Italian cruiser, Comdr. Roberto, Castine, American gunboat, 8 guns, 2,109 h.p., Comdr. S. W. Very, at Manila

Celtic, American supply ship, 1.890 h.p., Lieut,-Comdr. N. J. K. Potoh, at Manile Concord, Amr. g-bt., 6 guns, 3,405 h.p., Com. S. M. Ackley, at Manila D'Entrecasteaux, French flagship, 14 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. de Maroll, at Saigon

Descartes, French cruiser, Capt. de Vaissean, at Kwangchauwan Deutschland, German cruiser, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Muller, at Bangkok Dimitri Denskoy, Russian armoured cruiser, 34.

guns, 7,000 h.p., Com. Sharon, at V'yostook Don Juan de Austria, Amr. monitor, Captain Rowin; at Hongkong Eclaireur, French gunboat, 8 gans, 2,050 h.p., Captain Texier, at Along

Elba, Italian cruiser, 18 guns, Capt. Cecconi.

at Shanghai Etna, Italian cruise, Capt. Giovannir Giosello, at Singapore Gaidamak, Russian torpedo boat, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Captain Serebreauiff, at Vladivostock Geffon, German cruiser, 10 gans, 9,000 h.p.;

Capt. Rollmann, at Bangkok Glacier, Amr. supply ship, Lieut.-Comdr. J. B. Brigga at Manila Gremiatschy, Russian armoure I orniser, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Miklashevsky, at P. Arthur

Hansa, German craiser, 35 guus, Capt. Pohle, at Singapore Helena, American gunboat, 8 guns, 1,993 h.p., Com. E. K. Moore, at Manila: Hertha, German cruiser, 30 gnhs, - h.p., Capt,

von Usedom, at Hongkong Iltis. German gunboat, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., Capt. H. H. Lans, at Kiaochan Irene, German cruiser, 22 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Obenheimer, at Nagasaki

Iris, American distilling ship, 1,300 h.p., Comdr. W. H. Everett, at Hongkong Isla de Luzon, Amr. cruiser, Captain Rowan, at Hongkong Isla de Cuba, Amr. crhiser, Captain Gyles, at

Hongkong Jaguar, Gorman craisor, Captain Kinderling, Jean Bart, French cruiser, 10 guus, 8,000 h.p.,

Capt. Auber, at Kwangchanwan Kaiserin Augusta: German craiser, 20 guns, 14,030 h.p., Capt. Gnellob, at Shanghai Kersaint, Freuch gun-vessel, 13 guns, 2,200 h.p., Capt. de la Motte du Portail, at Saigon Korevetz, Russian orniser. 9 gnns, 2,150 h.p.,

Capt. Sillmann, at Port Arthur Liberal, Portuguese gunboat, 3 gnns, 500 h.p., Comdr. Canha Lima, et Hongkoug. Liguria. Italian oruiser, Captain S. Casells, at Shanghai

Lion. French gunbont, Captain Amet, 4 guns, 500 h.p., at Hongkong Mandjour, Russian cruiser, 14 gaus, 1,400 h.p. Captain Yakoveff, at Vladivostock

Manila, American gunboat, 2 guns, 750 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. A. P. Nazro, at Manila Marco Polo, Italian cruiser, 22 guns, 10,000 h p., Captain Ed. Incaronato, at Singapore Moeve, German gunboat, Captain Merten, at

Monadoook, Amr. double-turret monitor, 6 gans, 3,000 h.p., Capt. J. McGowan, at Manila Monoccoy, American gunboat, 6 guns, 850 h.p., Comdr. Geo. A. Bickpell, at Shanghai Monterey, Amr. double tarret monitor, 4 guns, 5,244 h.p., Com. E. H. C. Leutze, at Manila

Nansban, American collier, Lieut. D. A. Kaiser, at Manila Navarin, Russian battleship, 2 gans, 1,150 h.p., Captain Youish, at Port Arthur Oregon, American battle-ship, 16 guns, 11,111

h.p., Capt. G. F. F. Wilde, at Hongkong Otvazny, Russian armoured croiser, 12 guns, 2,500 h.p. Com. Coprianoff, at Nagasaki Pamiat Azova, Russian armonrod or., 36 guns, 8,000 h.p., Capt. Nidermiller, at P. Arthur Pascal, French orniser, 14 guns, 8,500 h.p.,

Capt. Motet, at Kwangchauwan Petrel, Amr. gunboat, 4 guns, 1,095 h.p., Com. C. C. Cornwell, at Cebu Piemonte, Italian cruiser, 12 guns, 12,010 h.p.,

Captain F. Giuliani, at Singapore Presidente Sarmiento, Argentine frigate. 16 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Betheder, at Manila Princeton, American gunboat, 6 guns, 800 h.p., Comdr. Harry Knox, at Manila

Rossia, Russian craiser, Capt. Domojiroff, 22. guns, 14,500 h.p., at Vladivostock Rurik, Russian Cogship, 48 guns, 13,500 h.p., Com: Haupt at Nagesaki

Silatch, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Barranoif, at Vladivostock Sissoi Veliky, Russian battleship, 14 gans, 8,500 h.p., Capt. Mollas, at Port Arthur

Sivoutch, Russian gunboat, 13 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Soubatin, at Port Arthur Surprise, French gunbout, 2 guns, 900 h.p., Capt. Plessix, at Salgon.

Vauban, French craiser, 11 guns, 4,560 h.p., Captain Blondel at Kwongehan Wan. Vladimir Monomach, Russian craiser, 18 guns, Ceptain Prince Ouchtomsky, at P. Arthur

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Comdr. C. S. Sperry, at Mavile Yosemite, American converted cruiser, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Captain G. E. Ide, at Guam Zabinka, Russian cruiser, 20 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Shkruff, at Port Arthur

Zafiro. A merican despatch vessel, Master A. M. Whitten, at Hongkeng

#### NEWS VIA AUSTRALIA

DISASTER TO A LIBEBOAT. Loudon, 8th December.

The Aldeburgh lifeboat capsized in a gale off the constrof Suffolk yesterday. Six of the crew were drowned, and the remainder, numbering 12, were rescued with difficulty.

BRITISH TRADE.

London, Sth December. The Board of Trade returns for November have been published. They show that the value of the imports had horsesed by £2,175,997, and the value of the exports had increased by £4,751,733, as compared with the imports and exports for the corresponding month of last year. Included in the increase of exports is a sum representing the value of new ships not embraced in the amount for the corresponding mouth of the preceding year.

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION.

London, 8th December. Mr. Duckenson, a Conservative, has been elected unopposed to the House of Commons for the Wells Division of Somersetshire. GERMANY, -THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN

THE NAVY.

London, 7th December. Prince Hohonlohe, the Imperial Chauceller of Germany, has issued a decree repealing the recent prohibition against the union of political societies in the Empire.

This action has, it is understood, been taken with the view of propitiating the Reichstag, and to induce the chumber to regard the Navy Increase Bill in a favourable light.

INTERFREING WITH THE BRITISH

MERCANTILE MARINE. London, 6th December. Admiral Dapont, of the French Navy, declared in a recent statement that the French Navy was ready and able to bring many Alabamas, against the British thereby inter-

DEATH OF AN IRISH JUDGE. London. 6th December. The death is announced of Mr. Justice O'Brien, the judge who tried the Irish "Invincibles" in 1883;

foring with Great Britain's mercantile marine.

MASSACRES IN ARMENIA. London, 5th December.

A Renter's message states that Kurdish atrocities have taken place in Armenia. The Kurds pil aged the village of Kestur and massacred three hundred of the inhabitants.

MADAME MELDA IN DERLIN. London, 5th December. Madame Melba yesterday appeared in the oren of "Lucia di Lammermoor" at Berlin. The Emperor and Empleis of Germany were present. The performance was most successful. It was declared that never had such en-

thusiasm been displayed at a Berlin theatre. INDUSTRAGE CONTRACTS CORPORATION. London, 5th December. Mr. Justice Wright, who investigated the affairs of the Industrial Contracts Corporation,

has exenerated from bl me the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Alfred James Newton, and his co-directors. THE U.S. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. London, 6th December.

The United States Congress was opened yesterday.

President M'Kinley's message to Congress occupies eighteen columns in the newspapers, and is pronounced timid and colourless.

The message states that, upart from the negotiations for the determination of the boundary of Alaska, the relations of the United States with Great Britain are most friendly, although an entangling alliance would be avoided. I Congress would not authorise the Government to lay down a cable from San Francisco to Manila private competition in cable laying would be encouraged.

Turkey had been warned that the situation of American citizens in the Ottoman Empire was unsatisfactory.

The message concluded by stating that it was impossible for the United States to abandon the Philippines.

AUSTRIAN PRIENDSHIP FOR ENGLAND. London, 3rd December. Count A. Goluchowski, the Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs, in an optimistic speech:

stated that the general outlook in Continental politics inspired confidence. He expressed the hope that the South Africal conflict would remain localised, and said that Austria stood on the footing of her old and undisturbed friendship for England. FRENCH AND GERMAN ATTACKS ON THE

QUEEN. London, 6th December.

A ribald anti-British song, which concluded with a gross insult to her Majesty the Queen, has been seized in Paris by the police. London 7th December.

A number of German caricatures of the Queen have been seized in Paris. PRESENT STRENGTH OF THE DIVISIONAL COMMANDS IN BOUTH APRICA.

Sir Redvers Buller, the Commander-in-Chief, who is marching from Frere to the relief of Ladysmith, has 23,000 men under his command, including volunteers. Lieutenant-General Lord Methuen, who is

at Modder River, where he is repairing the railway bridge prior to moving towards Kimberley, has a force of 10,000 men. Liontenant-General Sir W. F. Gatacre, who

is in command of the Third Division of the Army Corps, in the eastern province of Cape Colony, has a force of 6,000 men. Major-General J. D. P. French, who recently

effected a successful reconnoissance between Nanuw and De Aar, when a portion of the New South Wales Lancers were engaged, is in charge. of 3,000 men. The maintenance of railway and telegraphic

communication between De Aar and Grasspan, on the route to Kimberley, necessitates the employment of 8,000 troops. DISLOCATION OF THE BRITISH PLANS,

Lond n, 1st December. The reinforcements which are being made to the British forges in South Africa are the result of the dislocation of the plans, caused by the isolated movements of the troops. The original plan of a general concerted ad-

vance has fallen through and has been abandoned.

> REINFORCEMENTS. London, 6th December.

The big guns and the necessary supplies for the British division under Lieut .- General Lord Methuen bave arrived in Caps Colony. London, 7th December. A battery of Horse Artillery and the 12th

Lancers have reinforced Lord Methuen. London, 8th December. Mr. Joseph Powell-Williams, Financial Secretary to the War Office has officially stated

that the total number of British troops ordered for service in South Africa is 105,770, This number includes the forces actively

engaged, those en route to Cape Colony, and those ordered for service. Loudon, 8th December. A heavy siego train, with an enormous quantity of ammunition for use in the British attack on Pretoria, has been despatched by the Tantal

ton Castle. London, 8th December, Two battalions of artillery, and other reinforcements, have reached Major-General Sir W. F. Gatacre, commanding the Third Division

of the British Army Corps. The advance of the division is hampered by the spread of the rebellion in the northern por-

tion of Cape Colony .... THE COLONIAL TROOPS. London, 4th December.

Sir Alfred Milner, the High Commissioner for Cape Colony, visited the Australian troops at Maitland Barracks; near Capetown, on November 28 Great enthusiasm prevailed on the occasion. The men have been supplied with Lee-Enfield ritles. Their equipment was largely in excess of the requirements of the Army Regulations, and much of it has been stored, London, 5th December.

The Australian Contingents have amalgamated their forces, and are commanded by Colonel J. C. Hond, of the Victorian Contingent. The New Zealand Contingent, under Major

A. W. Robin, is at Nanwpoorf.

Estcourt.

London, 7th December. The Canadian and Australian troops who recently arrived in South Africa will form a separate brigade under Lieutnant-General Lord Methuen: They were entrained at Capetawn yesterday, and left amid frantie demonstrations of enthusiasm. Sir Alfred Milner, the Governor of Cape Colony, was present at the departure of the troops.

is that he joined the Boers when they were at

SEDITION IN NATAL. London, 6th December. Mr. C. J. Labuschague, a member of the Legislative Conneil of Natal for the county of Weenen, has been arrested on a charge of high

London, 7th December. Mr. Pretorius, a member of the Natal House of Assembly, has been arrested on a charge of BRITISH PRISONERS AT PRETORIAL

London, 5th December. The British prisoners at Pretoria, who, according to a despatch received some weeks ago were being well treated, are allowed to purchase beer and newspapers.

THE BLEUTOS REASSURED. London, 5th December: Accounts of the British victories at Grasspan and Modder River have greatly reassured the Basatos, who were uneasy on account of Boor plotting.

NURSES POR THE WOUNDED WELCOMED BY THE QUEEN.

London, 6th December. The Queen has presented at Windsor Custle a Union Jack to a number of nurses who have offered their services in connection with the war in Bouth Africa. In welcoming the nurses her Majesty remarked, "How sweet of you to care for my men." MANUFACTURING SHELLS AT KINBERLEY.

London, 6th December. The workshops at the De Beers mine, Kimberley, have been converted into an arsenal and

are making shells. BRIGADIER-GENERAL YULE INVALIDED. London, 6th December. Brigadier-General Yule is returning to Eng-

land on account of broken health, COMMANDERING OF ENGLISHMEN. London, 7th Docember. Eleven Englishmen are being tried by court-

martial at Ladybrand, near the south-eastern border of the Orange Free State, for refusing to be commandeared. BOER SURVEYS AT MARITZBURG.

London, 7th Docember.

It has transpired that General Joubert had a survey made of the country from the Natal frontier to Pietermaritzburg last spring. COINING AT PRETORIA. London, 7th December.

The mint at Pretoria is coming £100,000 monthly, the gold being the result of orushings at the Bonanza, Robinson, and Ferrina Deep BRITISH BLOOD AND TREASURE NOT TO BE

London, 7th December. Speaking at the Mercers' Hall last night, Mr. W. H. Long, president of the Board of Agriculture, said that the Government was determined that British blood and treasure should not be vainly sacrificed in South Africa.

VAINLY SACRIFICED.

DURATION OF THE WAR. London, 7th December. Mr. J. B. Robinson, the South African millionaire, who is at present in Europe, considers that the fighting strength of the Boers is weakening. He believes that the war will soon be over.

PRESIDENT KRUGER'S ASPIRATION. London, 8th December.

Lord Loch, for six years Governor of Cape Colony and British High Commissioner in South Africa, referred to the situation in South Africa during the course of a speech at the Imperial Institute last night. He said that President Kruger often desired the independence of the Transvani, and had aspired to the establishment of a navy. The speaker gave it as his opinion that the progress of settlement in South Africa must absorb the Republica.

MR. ROBERTSON ACQUITTED. Lordon, Sth December.

Mr. Robertson (a friend of Mr. Cecil Rhodes). who was beld by the Boers on a charge of illegally recruiting in Pretoria, has been acquitted. Mr. Robertson asserted that he was merely assisting in the removal of women and children from the Transvaal.

THE POSITION AT LADYSMITH.

London, 6th December. News from Ladysmith and Coleuso states that the hills around those places are dotted with large guns. On the elevations surrounding Ladysmith twenty- ix guns have been counted. London, 7th December.

There is no uneasiness regarding the position at Ladysmith. Numbers of the men amuse: inches. themselves at cricket, football, and rowing, and the Gordon Highlanders celebrated St. Audrew's Day according to the Scottish custom.

The searchlight apparatus, in use for the purpose of signalling from Frere to Ladysmith, was devised by Captain Scott of H.MS. Terrible.

London, Sth Decumber. Ladysmith was safe on the oth ins ant. The situation is daily becoming more difficult. The bombar lment by the enemy bas done considerable damage. The wounded have been removed from the

hospital owing to the Geneva flags not being respected by the enemy. A shell burst in the vicinity of the building. One invalid was killed and nine others were wounded. THE BATTLE OP MODDER RIVER.

Later details amplify and in some respects modify the previous accounts of the Battle of. Modder River fought last Tuesday by the 10,000 British, under Lieutenant-General Lord Methuen, and the Boers under General Cronje, Fighting commenced at daybreak and con-

London, 5th Decumber.

tinned without interruption till dusk, It is estimated that the enemy numbered 11,000, under General Cronje. His troops were entrenched in a semi-circular front extending over eight miles.

A fierce artillery duel occupied five hours. It then lalled, and the Scots Guards, believing that Modder River town had been evacuated, advanced.

The evacuation of the town, however, was found not to have taken place, for as soon as the Guards left cover on their advance the enemy met them with a fire so terrible that they had to lie down.

The Scots Guarde Maxim was disabled and many men were killed. In the afternoon the British made another

forward movement. Coldstream Guards, and on the left by the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and the Ninth Brigade, attempted to cross the plain towards the bridge.

Immediately the enemy poured an awful hail of bullets on the advancing British troops. For two hours the attacking forces were coverless, and many were literally mown down

northern bank and by machine guns. Sutherland Highlanders, still under a merciless of the enemy; they retained the position against

a vastly superior force, When night fell Lord Methuen had gained an indecisive victory.

Lord Methuen's stall considered that troops of the British Army never faced a severar and a more enstained fire than they did in this battle. Colonel Codrington (Coldstream Quards) and Captain V. C. M. Seilheim, of the Queensland

Defence, who was detailed for special service in South Africa, together with a dozen men of the Coldstreams, swam the Modder River in the face of a heavy-fire from the enemy for the purpose of reconnoitring.

bank when they were forced to retire. Joining established on the slopes. hands the two officers swam brok. Colonel Codrington became much exhausted and was The French idea that home produced alcohol nearly drowned, The British guns did tremendous havon

amongst the Boers, compelling them to abandon their extensive entrenchments. During the night the town was evacuated by the enemy, who took their guns with them as they retired. All the British troops crossed the river in the morning.

-The search lights enabled the British to recover the wounded. The Boers fought with steadiness. The enemy shelled the British ambulances

cance of the Red Cross.

The Boers were hardly visible throughout the battle, and their rifle pits were protected lest 85.50 from alcohol. by bullet-proof breastworks. The enemy had been occupied seven weeks in fortifying their When the British infantry was within 80

yards of the Boers the enemy maintained a withering fire, lasting three bours. The British only advanced in short rushes, lesing heavily whenever they rose from the ground They gave a wonderful exhibition of unflinche ing courage. Late in the afternoon the 62nd Battery arrived

on the scone, after a'33-mile march, and, opening fire on the enemy, they silenced several of their guns. The shells produced a terrilying effect upon the Boers. treason. The specific act alleged sgainst him The enemy retreated upon Langeberg and

Jacobadal, in the Crange Free State.

London, 5th December. Further details of the battle at Modder River

are to hand. On several occasions during the progress of the fight the Boors collected under shelter of the Red Cross flag and fired from the position. During the afternoon a party of about 200

Boors galloped off the field. The marines made splendid practice with their field guns, and exploded shells in the midst of the fagitives.

Daring the fight a panic broke out amongst the Free State Artillery, which bolted from the field. The Transvall forces acouse their allies of cowardice. Harrowing scenes were witnessed on the

battlefield ou the morning after the fight. Many Boers were hastily buried where they fell. A number of buildings in the vicinity were

filled with wounded Boers awaiting attention.

at the hands of the umbulance officers. The groans of the wounded were heartrending. The walls and roofs of the buildings were riddled with shot. In one-trench, from which the enemy had been driven at the point of the bayonet, three dead Highlanders were found. One of them had in his grasp the rifle of an enemy, from

whom it had been wrested in a hand-to-hand oncounter. Prisoners who were brought into the British camp report that General Cronje whipped

many Boer soldiers to prevent them from flee-Examinations made by British Army sur-

geons show that the Boers used expansive dumdum bullets. London, 6th December.

Af the battle of Modder River the British troops were almost maddened by thirst. They could get no water because the watercarts were unable to approach the zone of fire on account

of the awful bail of bullets. General Cronje, who commanded the Boers, considered that the defences he had thrown up would be capable of withstanding the attack of the British for three weeks.

The Boer ammunition parriers to the firing line were the red cross. London, 6th December. Earl de la Warr, correspondent for The Globe,

was nearly shot while assisting the wounded . at Modder River. Liondon, 4th December. Major Count Gleichen, of the Grenadier Guards, who was wornded at the battle of Modder River, has a bullet embedded in his neck.

COMMANDERRING IN BECHUANALAND. London, 4th December. The Boers at Maritsani sold the houses, ploughs, and cathe of residents, by auction, giving Transvalds three months' credit. They have compandeered all whites in Bechusnaland from he age of 14 years upwards.

SCIENTETIC MISUELLANY.

From a recent liscussion by the British Astronomical Societ, it appears that the cause of a much-observed henomenon is still a mystery. The new theory was offered by Mr. Cecil J. Dolmage that the apparent enlargement of the moon is an effectof the sky's ourvature, which is not noticed at the zanith but apparently increases toward the horizon. This recalled the many other suggestions of recout years. A Belgian astronomer has sought to prove that the cause is physiological, and that objects overhead alwaysseem smaller than those at the same distance of a level; another idea is that the cause is atpospheric; still another, that the illusion is mental. About the only thing really proven is that measurement with the sextant shows be moon's disc to have the same size at the horizon as at the zenita, except for the slight influence of refraction.

German experiments suggest defective water gages as the cause of many-if not mostmysterious beler explosions. Using a magnetic indicator C. Remschol obtained an alarm of low water while the ordinary glass gage showed four inches bove the medium level. A defect in the tightiess of the steam pipe leading to the top cock was found, and when this was famedied the water level in the glass fell six

It has ben assumed that the depth of unvarying temperature in the soil increases from I foot at the equator to 70 odd feet at the poles, yet a shaft in northern Siberia has reached a cepth of \$1,500 feet without getting through the frost A w stern mining engineer explairs that this may not disprove the theory, as the deep freezing may to a result of annual accumulations of ediment on until awed ground.

Coffee berries are coated with sugar by an English groom, the cheaper material increasing the weight from 5 to 10 per cent. In Germany the berry is to closely imitated by prepared maize that detection of the fraud is difficult, even en close inspection.

The fell power of belfry bells is felt only through the use of great masses of metal, and it is estimated that the normal "la" of 870 simple porations, which is found in the centre of the kerboard of the piano, our be given only by a bell? feet in diameter and weighing about 1,000 pouds, while the deep "do" of 32 vibrations from the 32-foot organ pipe would require a bell 105 feet in diameter and weighing 17.500(0) pounds. The Harrington cylindrical bells with which experiments have been made Ja England during several years, are claimed to give very satisfactory results with much fles metal. Any note required is given by a ftabe of constant diameter and thickness, the various tones and semi-tones differing only in legth, and the possibility of obtaining notes with pathematical precision is an advantage of greatisportance in the tuning of chimes. The range is less than that of ordinary bells, increasing with the five diameters thus far produced from mile to 3 miles. These tubes have o maximum length of 10 feet, and the saving in metal is illustrated by the statement that a tubula bell of 27-inches diameter, with a range In extended order the Scots Guards, supported of halla mile, weighs only 1,540 pounds, while on the right by the Grenadier Guards and the one of the ordinary, bells of the same range weigh 66.000, the difference in cost being that between \$1,200 and \$20,000.

A very few exceptions to the rule that animals live with their backs toward the sky and away from the earth are found by M. Henri Coppin. The larva of the beautiful floral beetle, whose winged existence is mostly spent near. by the Book sharpsbooters pasted on the roses and other flowers, is the best example. This grub is a fat worm that does much When it was nearly dusk the Argyll and dames to plant-roots in gardens. It has three pairs of legs seemingly designed for use, yet fire, succeeded, although-losing heavily, in ford: Lit meps about grotesquely on its back, pushing ing the Modder River, and despite the efforts, itself forward six inches to a foot a minute by contractile movements of its segments nided by affinh of hairs. The aquatio world has its water-boatmen, or Notopeotae, that always spin back downward. Among mammals are the soths and other Edoutates that spend most of their lives upside down, suspended from trees by their claws.

The banks of the Sucz Canal are being profeeted from shifting by trees and shrubs. Reeds, at lirst shielded from the waves from passing Kessels by fascines, have been placed along hine miles of the canul proper and the whole longth of the Sweetwater Canal. Plantations of The men had almost reached the opposite shubbery, irrigated from the Nile, are being

cold be substituted for Russian and American light oils for driving motor oars has not been encouraged by experiment. Aualysis proves that the alcohol has only about one-half the forbon of a mineral oil, with 45 times the oxygen, and its calorific value is little more than on-half. Tested in a Broichot horizontal eigine of two to three horse power and in a Benz vartical motor of three to four horsepower, the new fuel showed nearly twice is great consumption as that of light oil. The price of the alcohol being double that of even professing to be unacquainted with the aignification light oils, it is calculated that in France the power yielded by \$1.00 of petroleum would cost the equivalent of \$1.75 from light oil, and at

The "Jigger Flea " is a South African pest whose recent spread from the vicinity of Delagon Bay to points further south has been brought to Government notice. It differs greatly from the ordinary fleg, lacks the latter's agility, and attacks only the soles of the feet, into which it beres holes and lays eggs therein. The results are liable to be very painful. Sanitary precautions have been recommended, and medical men at the various ports of the Cape have been requested to give the little invader their altention.

One of the water-mains of Torquay-a tenlach cast iron pipe laid in 1858-was so inconsted in eight years that the delivering